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SUBJECT: ANTITRUST: FOREIGN OCEAN CARRIER INVESTIGATION

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1. DEPARTMENT OF JUSTICE (DOJ) HAS INFORMED DEPARTMENT
THAT IN THE GRAND JURY INVESTIGATION INTO POSSIBLE ANTI-
TRUST VIOLATIONS IN THE OCEAN SHIPPING INDUSTRY INVOLVING
THE COMMERCE OF U.S. AND CERTAIN WESTERN EUROPEAN COUNTRIES,
IT INTENDS QUOTE, TO SEND LETTERS TO PERSONS WHO ARE
PRESENT OR FORMER EMPLOYEES, OFFICERS OR DIRECTORS OF
COMPANIES ENGAGED IN THE TRADE, WHOM WE BELIEVE HAVE

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INFORMATION PERTINENT TO THE INVESTIGATION. THE PURPOSE OF THE LETTER IS TO ELICIT VOLUNTARY INFORMATION FROM ANYONE WHO WISHES TO BE INTERVIEWED BY DIVISION (ANTI-TRUST) ATTORNEYS; NO COMPULSION IS INVOLVED. THE LETTER IS NOT AN OFFER OF IMMUNITY OF ANY KIND. UNQUOTE

2. DOJ HAS PROPOSED THAT THE GOVERNMENTS OF THE NATIONALS LISTED IN PARA 3 BELOW BE NOTIFIED OF ITS INTENTION TO SEND OUT VOLUNTARY REQUESTS TO TESTIFY. ACCORDINGLY, THE DEPARTMENT ON FEBRUARY 16 INFORMED SHIPPING ATTACHES OF THOSE EMBASSIES WHOSE NATIONALS ARE TO BE CONTACTED (UK, FRG, NETHERLANDS, BELGIUM) THAT THE LETTERS WOULD BE SENT. EMBASSY ATTACHES EXPRESSED APPRECIATION FOR ADVANCE NOTICE. BARRING ANY DESIRE BY A GOVERNMENT TO FURTHER DISCUSS THE MATTET, LETTERS TO PERSONS LOCATED ABOARD WOULD BE MAILED AT THE SAME TIME AS THOSE DIRECTED TO PERSONS RESIDING IN THE UNITED STATES, THAT IS THURSDAY, MARCH 2.

3. INDIVIDUALS TO BE CONTACTED ARE INDICATED BELOW ACCORDING TO COUNTRY:

-- UNITED KINGDOM: H.H. ANDERSEN, CONTINENTAL NORTH ATLANTIC WESTBOUND FREIGHT CONFERENCE (CNAWFC); PHILIP E. BATES, ATLANTIC CONTAINER LINE (ACL); D.J. CHRISTIAN-SEN, FORMERLY CNAWFC; MICHAEL J. CONLON, UNITED STATES LIMITED OFFICIAL USE

LINES (USL); D.J.K. CONWAY, NORTH ATLANTIC WESTBOUND FREIGHT ASSOCIATION (NAWFA); MANUEL DIAZ, THE ADHERENCE GROUP (TAG), FORMERLY THE ASSOCIATED NORTH ATLANTIC FREIGHT CONFERENCES (ANAFC); GEORGE P. JOHNSTON (TAG); M.J. JORDAN, DART CONTAINERLINE LTD. (DART); ARNE G.M. KOCH, (ACL); A.C. METZELAR, (ACL); F. MORGENTHALER, AMERICAN EXPORT LINES (AEL); GUISEPPI MUSANTE (USL); F.K. WIERSUM (TAG); Y. VON WULFFEN, HAPAG-LLOYD; AND JOM A. VAN DE NADORT (ACL).
-- FEDERAL REPUBLIC OF GERMANY: WOLFGANG BOHLE, G.G. BRAUER, WERNER MORYSON AND KARL HEINZ SAGER, ALL OF THE ABOVE EMPLOYED BY HAPAG-LLOYD LINES.

-- BELGIUM: DANIEL DU BOIS, DAVID B. HALL, JACQUES LE BLANC, ALL OF THE ABOVE EMPLOYED BY DART CONTAINER-LINE LTD.

-- THE NETHERLANDS: RUDOLPH LE POLLE, SEATRAIN LINES (ST); HENK M. MEYER (USL); HERMAN G. SCHWARZE, SEA-LAND SERVICES (SL); C.L. VAN DE REE, (ACL).

4. ACTION ADDRESSEES ARE REQUESTED TO NOTIFY APPROPRIATE

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SHIPPING AND ANTITRUST OFFICIALS WITHIN HOST GOVERNMENTS
OF THE ABOVE INFORMATION AS IT CONCERNS THEIR COUNTRY
ONLY AND REPORT REACTIONS. VANCE

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